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THE WEATHER

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ICE TO POINT LOOKOUT

Only Iron-Hull Screw Steamers Able to Forge Their Way up and Down the Potomac at Present.

The arctic weather which has prevailed throughout a large section of the country since last Friday night has almost closed navigation on the Potomac river. Steamers which usually operate between Washington and Alexandria and river landings were tied up several days ago, but the steamers on the Norfolk line, which seldom miss a trip, have kept going, although they arrive at this port late on account of the heavy ice encountered, especially at the bends in the river where it is gorged. Government tugboats are still running to Fort Washington and Indian Head.

The steamer Northland, due at Alexandria at 6 o'clock this morning did not reach her wharf until 8:40. Captain Posey said he encountered ice all the way from Point Lookout to this port.

The steamer Three Rivers, of the Baltimore line, scheduled to leave this port at 5 o'clock Saturday afternoon, left two hours earlier on account of the ice. It is announced that the boats of this line will make but one trip a week during the remainder of the winter. A steamer will leave Alexandria every Monday afternoon.

The cold wave which struck this locality last Friday night is still in evidence. The grip of the Frost King is tenacious, and great inconvenience has been experienced in this city, although but little actual suffering has been reported so far.

It was impossible to heat churches and other large buildings yesterday and some manufactories were forced to close their doors this morning on account of the severe weather.

The mercury fell below the zero mark in thermometers early yesterday. At 8 o'clock yesterday morning at 218 South Royal street, the thermometer registered six degrees below zero. Conditions this morning were nearly as frigid as those of yesterday. The mercury during the night was down to zero, and at at early hour today although it had forged upward somewhat, it showed a sluggish disposition to move.

At Herndon, Fairfax county, the mercury dropped to 13 below zero while at Bluemont, Loudoun county, it got down to 14 below.

A heavy gale was sweeping the coast last night, imperilling shipping. The extreme cold has brought injuries to many seamen. A big Norwegian vessel is ashore off an Atlantic port. Coast life savers have removed the crew. Several other vessels are reported in distress. Tugs are hurrying to their relief.

New York, suffered terribly yesterday on the coldest day of which it has authentic record. The mercury sank to 14 below zero. A coal famine made thousands of homes unheated. The cold was so intense that workmen trying to hasten new coal supplies were compelled to suspend labor. The North River gave indications of freezing over, which would further embarrass the almost frantic attempts to furnish coal. Two deaths from the cold were reported. The temperature shows no signs of moderation for the next day or two.

Intense suffering among the poor marked the second day of Central New York's severest December weather. The temperature crept to thirty degrees below, lower than it ever went before in the local weather bureau's history. A dozen firemen were sent to a hospital in Syracuse yesterday after their fingers and noses were frozen at a $50,000 fire in Wilson and Green's lumber yard

CAUGHT IN ELEVATOR.

Doctor Has Narrow Escape in Richmond Hotel Last Week.

Richmond, Dec. 31.—Dr. Frederick V. Fisher, of California, was accidentally caught in an elevator at Murphy's hotel Friday night as he was going up to the mezzanine floor and suffered the fracture of several ribs. He was taken to Stuart Circle Hospital, where it was reported he was resting well. Dr. Fisher was scheduled to address the afternoon classes at the Y. M. C. A. tomorrow. It was reported from the hospital that the injuries are not considered serious.

UNCLE SAM'S LARDER

First Year-end Food Inventory Being Taken as Provided by Congress Proves a Big Job.

Washington, Dec. 31.—How much food has Uncle Sam in his national larder with which to start the New Year? How adequately can he feed until harvest time his many millions of civilians and soldiers? Will it be necessary during the coming twelve months for his citizens to eat war bread? Can he furnish the share which he ought of the daily ration needed by the fighting men of the allies? And can he supplement somewhat, perhaps, the meager fare of the friendly neutrals to whom the war has brought the pinch of hunger?

These are the big and vital questions, so important to the conduct of the war, which the Bureau of Markets of the United States Department of Agriculture is seeking to answer by carrying out the war emergency food survey provided for by the last Congress. All over the country today first steps are being taken to answer these questions. Hundreds of thousands of persons in control of food supplies, large and small, are filling out schedules mailed to them by the army of employes which the Bureau of Markets has assembled in Washington to conduct the big year end food inventory. These schedules will show the quantities of more than one hundred different foods on hand December 31, 1917, quantities on hand December 31, 1916, for comparison and the quantities shipped out by freight or express that have not been delivered to the consignee. To the totals of these figures will be added quantities held by retail food dealers in certain counties where store-to-store canvasses are being made. The latter intensive surveys will be made in order that the figures for the entire country may be checked. In addition, about 40,000 selected families will report on special schedules regarding the stocks of food on hand, and the ways in which they utilize certain food products. These figures will be used as a basis upon which to estimate the amount of food in the more than 2 million homes of the country. When all this information has been tabulated, Uncle Sam will have available for the first time, sorely needed data upon which to formulate plans for efficient production, and wise use of the munition which is of greatest importance in winning the war—food.

On the Trail of the Food Supply

The trail of the country's food supply is a winding and many-branched one, the Bureau of Markets has found. A surprising variety of dealers and "holders" go to make up the vast army of individuals and concern that have in their hands the potential breakfasts, dinners, and suppers of the nation. Among the most important custodian of this vast food supply are owners of grain elevators, common and cold storage concerns, meat packers, carriers, exporters, wholesale and retail grocers, bakers, confectioners, butchers, and other dealers. Schools,, hospitals, asylums and other institutions, it has been found, are much larger holders of food than had been supposed, while another important group which carries considerable quantities of foodstuffs in its pantries is made up of hotels, restaurants, commissaries, etc.

Within a few days, the first of the more than three-quarters of a million schedules will begin pouring back to Washington, bearing the information which Congress was willing to spend $600,000, to obtain. In Washington, the schedules will be tabulated as promptly as possible by a staff of special clerks. When information on the last of the hundred or more foods under investigation have been tabulated, Uncle Sam can apply consumption figures, obtained from other investigations, and find approximately what his food balance is from time to time. Then he can take steps to ward off any threatened shortage, can share his store intelligently with the allies, and can, in short, consider with his eyes open all the problems of his commissary department.

Relief in Sight.

Alexandria today continued its fourth day in the grasp of one of the coldest waves in her history. Tomorrow will bring relief, the Weather Bureau promises.

Alexandria City and Suburbs

Mrs. F. A. Smith, who has been spending the Christmas holidays at her residence in South Alfred street, has returned to Norfolk, Va.

The members of Fitzgerald Council announce that they will hold a dance at the Elks' auditorium on Thursday night next.

Mr. Edward Joachim and Miss Helen Randolph Burch, of Charlottesville, have been guests of Mr. Hugh Turder, at his home on Columbus street.

Mrs. Susannah Fairfax, aged 66, died at her home, 507 Prince street, at an early hour this morning. The funeral will be held at 10 Wednesday morning.

The Christmas celebration of St. Mary's Sunday school which was to have been held yesterday was postponed until Wednesday afternoon. The exercises will take place in Lyceum Hall at 3 o'clock.

The fire department was called to North Columbus street, between Montgomery and First streets, yesterday afternoon about five o'clock by a small blaze which was extinguished by water thrown from buckets.

There will be two special meetings held at the Salvation Army Hall on King street tonight. The first will begin at 8 o'clock and will be in charge of Mr. John Williams, of Tyrone, Pa. The second meeting will be an old fashioned watch-night service and will be led by Captain and Mrs. Hellwege. The subject will be "Where art Thou?". There will be special music and a cordial welcome will be extended to all who attend.

A change of officials will occur at the Alexandria city postoffice tomorrow, when Mr. Donald L. Aitcheson, who has been the efficient assistant postmaster for two successive administrations, puts into effect his resignation recently tendered to Postmaster Smith, and will be succeeded by Mr. Norman L. Williamson, whose appointment has been confirmed by the Department at Washington. As has been previously stated, Mr. Aitcheson gives up the work on account of his eyes, and will leave the office with the best wishes of all connected with it. In referring to him this morning Postmaster Smith spoke of him in most complimentary terms. Mr. Williamson, who will take his place, has been in charge of the Postal Savings department for nearly eight years and for the past year has also been superintendent of mails and has served about fourteen years in the office in all. Mr. Elmore Mudd, another clerk in the office for the past eleven years, will take the position vacated by Mr. Williamson. On account of the extra work done during the holidays there has been no hold-up of mails locally Postmaster Smith says, as the clerks have worked Sundays as well as week days in caring for them, thus avoiding the congestion which has been much in evidence in other cities according to reports.

The right to perform the marriage ceremony in the state of Virginia has been granted to Richard W. Christian, pastor of the colored Baptist church at Arlington, papers to the effect having been filed in the clerk's office in this city today.

The funeral of Patrick Cunningham, aged 60, a farmer who resided in Fairfax county, near this city, who died at the Alexandria hospital on Saturday, was held from St. Mary's Catholic church this morning at 9:30.

Unless the arctic weather which has been making things uncomfortable here for the past few days should prevent, it is expected that the New Year will be given the accustomed noisy welcome on its arrival in Alexandria tonight. The use of fire arms as noisemakers has been forbidden by Mayor Fisher but bells and horns will doubtless be heard in large numbers. While the banks and public buildings will be closed tomorrow most of the business houses will remain open until noon at least and New Year's day will be very quietly observed as a rule throughout the city.

Freezing of water pipes yesterday and last night caused much trouble and inconvenience to people in various parts of the city. The intense cold in the Carlyle Apartments on North Fairfax street caused the water pipes in one of the apartments to freeze yesterday morning, something unknown there before. In another part of the same block it was necessary for the residents to put on extra heavy clothing in order to keep warm during the greater part of the day. Similar conditions prevailed in many other parts of the city. Mr. J. T. Preston reports that the thermometer at his home, 218 South Royal street, registered six degrees below zero at 8 o'clock yesterday morning, which it is said, is the record for the city for a long time back. This morning Mr. Preston said the mercury at his place stood at zero at 8 o'clock.

Owing to the extreme cold weather preaching services were held in the Sunday school in the lower part of the First Baptist church in this city yesterday morning and evening. They will continue to be held there while the arctic temperature prevails in the vicinity. It is said that similar action was taken by churches in Lynchburg, Danville and other places in the state. The change was made in each of the churches, it is said, in order to avoid heating the large auditoriums and thereby conserve coal as well as to render the people more comfortable. While the shortage of coal continues why would it not be well for two or more churches to unite and hold services on Sundays? It should result in the saving of a considerable amount of coal which could be distributed where more urgently needed, perhaps.

There were no cases for trial in the Police Court this morning.

The Knights of Pythias will hold a meeting tomorrow night, the first of the new year.

Miss Arbutis Reed, of North Washington street, entertained her Sunday school class at luncheon on Thursday.

A final decree of divorce, on the grounds of desertion, has been granted in Corporation Court in this city to Stephen Self from Emma Irene Langley Self. Robinson Moncure represented the plaintiff.

The Gazette is informed that the coal dealers of the state will meet Mr H. F. Byrd, fuel administrator, Wednesday noon, January 2nd, at the Mutual Building in Richmond. It is hoped there will be a large representation in attendance.

Mrs. Elizabeth Dove died at her residence, 922 Franklin street in this city yesterday afternoon at six o'clock. The funeral will take place tomorrow at 12:30 at Woodlawn Baptist church, in Fairfax county. She was 75 years old.

Owing to illness the Rev. Dr. E B. Jackson, pastor of the First Baptist church, was unable to fill his pulpit last night. He was taken sick yesterday afternoon and is confined to his bed with a supposed attack of the grip. The service at his church last night was in charge of Judge C. E. Nicol, who gave a most excellent address on a topic selected from the book of Revelation. It was highly commented upon by members of his congregation this morning who had the pleasure of listening to him.

The local branch of the National Biscuit Company on South Washington street, has displayed in the window a handsome service flag with 702 stars, representing the company's contribution thus far to Uncle Sam's fighting men—nearly six per cent of its male employees. More than a third of the company's employees are women. A similar flag is displayed at every one of the company's two hundred odd branches throughout the country. Every state in the union is represented.

Ladies at the head of several of the charitable organizations of the city say that in no winter before, within their recollection, has there been so few calls for aid as there have been so far this season in Alexandria. Upon being asked for it they have replied that they believed it to be due to the fact that no liquor is being sold here or in Washington, and that as a consequence families who have had to be assisted in previous winters have had more money with which to purchase the necessities of life. The Gazette has been requested by the ladies interested to make this statement in answer to inquiries that have been made.

LOWER CALIFORNIA.

Said to Have Seceded From Mexico And Wants to Become U. S. Protectorate.

San Francisco, Dec. 31.—F. J. Stilson, of Los Angeles, is preparing to leave here immediately for Washington to open negotiations with the Federal Government for the establishment of a protectorate by the United States over Lower California, according to his announcement today.

Stilson asserted Lower California has seceded from Mexico, and that the secession has been announced by Governor Estab Cantu.

Governor Cantu, Stilson said, has appointed him diplomatic agent to negotiate with the United States for the establishment of a protectorate.

Card of Thanks.

I wish to express many thanks to Chief Ogden and his department for saving my house at the fire on the early morning of December 29th.

Frank Watkins, 1707 Duke St.

Death Notice.

Died, December 30, 1917, at her home, 922 Franklin street, Alexandria, Va., Mrs. Elizabeth Dove. Funeral at Woodlawn Baptist church, Fairfax county, Va., Tuesday, Jan. 1st, at 12:30. 310-1t.

STUDY FOR EXAMINATION.

Hundreds of Non-Coms and Privates Applying Themselves for Entrance to Officers' Training Camp.

Anniston, Dec. 31.—Hundreds of noncommissioned officers and privates at Camp McClellan are digging into books and applying themselves to the daily routine of instruction as they have never done before, in preparation for the officers' school or training camp, which will be opened at Camp McClellan on January 5, to extend over a period of three months.

Lieut. Robert E. Craighill, infantry, has been detailed as the commanding officer for the training camp.

Capt. Conrad Johnson, of Alexandria, is assistant senior instructor.

Opening of Children's Class.

Miss Virginia Ale wishes to announce that beginning on Thursday, Jan. 3d., and each Thursday following, at 3:30 to 5:30 p. m., she will open a class for children for the teaching of character songs and all kinds of dancing, including aesthetic, toe, fancy classic, ballet, national and all kinds of modern ballroom dancing. A specialty will be made of poise, facial expression, graceful and correct hand movements, developing personality and producing unconscious grace. For terms and particulars call Miss Virginia Ale, 1916 Duke street, phone 644. 310-3t.

OPPOSE PLAN TO EVACUATE.

Germany Wants to Hold on to Russian Territory.

London, Dec. 31.—Germany has thrown off the mask and has begun to maneuver against the evacuation of Russian territory overrun by the Austro-German armies.

Dispatches received here today stated that Count Czernin, the Austrian foreign minister, and Dr. von Kuehlmann, the German foreign minister, have arrived at Vienna and Berlin, with full reports on the peace negotiations at Brest-Litovsk for presentation to Emperor Charles and the Kaiser.

These reports contain cleverly worded protests against the evacuation of Poland and Courland by the Teutonic armies, suggesting that the matter be settled by a military commission.

Notice to Red Men.

The entire membership of Osceola Tribe No. 1, I. O. R. M., is hereby notified to be present at the lodge room at 7:30 p. m., Jan. 2, 1918, on account of business of the utmost importance. The said business is of such a nature that every member is expected to be present.

G. C. CONNER,
Chief of Records.

310-3t

80,000 ARE HOMELESS

Earthquake in Guatemala City Causes Many Deaths and Great Damage.

San Salvador, Dec. 31.—Guatemala City, capital of the republic of Guatemala, has been completely destroyed by an earthquake. Many persons were killed in the disaster, some in their homes and others in the streets.

The Colon Theater, which was filled with people, collapsed. There were many casualties among the audience.

Various hospitals and asylums and the prisons were badly damaged and many patients and prisoners were killed.

The railroad depot, sugar mills, postoffice, the American and British legations, United States consulate and all the churches in the city have been leveled. Deep fissures opened in the middle of the city.

The inhabitants in panic have fled from the capital. More than 80,000 persons are homeless. The stock of provisions in the city is scant and aid is required promptly. The Salvadorean government has suspended the official New Year celebration and entered into mourning in sympathy with Guatemala.

Marguerite Clark Substantially Proves Her Patriotism.

Disproving the opinion of many that she is merely a sort of pretty shadow who flits across the motion picture screen for our entertainment, dainty Marguerite Clark who appears at the Richmond Theatre tonight in "The Seven Swans," has recently thoroughly proved her patriotism and energy. For the first Liberty Loan she contented herself with buying a mere hundred thousand dollars' worth of the bonds, but for the second she was indefatigable in her work to arose interest and generosity on the part of others. She went first to Washington, D. C., where, at the Riggs National Bank on special invitation from the Liberty Loan Committee she spent a whole afternoon personally selling bonds.

"The Seven Swans," is a whimsical, appealing fairy story with all the charm of childhood and the lure of magic. Witches, hobgoblins, swans, the sandmen and moon fairies have been woven into a story of exquisite charm.

PEOPLE FALL IN STREET.

Man and Woman About to Freeze to Death in Washington.

Lieut. George LeFevie, aged 38, stationed at the Washington barracks, was found at 1:30 o'clock this morning lying on the sidewalk at Seventh street and Pennsylvania avenue northwest, Washington. He was unconscious when found by the police and would have died within a short time. He was taken to Emergency Hospital where it was stated that he was a victim of the intense cold. His condition is serious and at an early hour this morning he was still unconscious.

Miss May Louber, 68 years old, 809 Twenty-first street northwest, overcome by cold, fell in the street at Pennsylvania avenue and Twenty-first street. She was carried unconscious to Emergency Hospital and later went home. Her condition is not serious.

PLOT TO WRECK CAPITOL.

Governor Orders Men With Loaded Guns to Guard State Building.

Tallahassee, Fla., Dec. 31.—The accidental uncovering yesterday of a plot to blow up the State capitol frustrated the plan, and the capitol is under armed guard.

Details of the plot were not revealed by the chief of police but he considered the design to wreck the State building of sufficient importance to communicate his findings to Gov. Catts. The latter immediately conferred with other State and City officials.

Following the conference Gov. Catts directed that a posse armed with rifles guard the capitol last night. The men were instructed to shoot any one who seeks to enter the building without revealing his business.

Norfolk Oysters, Hampton Bars and Potomac River oysters. J. Britt No. 2 King street.

PAY DEBT OF NATURE

Names of Alexandrians Who Joined the Great Majority During the Year Which Closes Tonight.

The following will form a chapter in what we term our "Tombstone Book," a register we have kept in this office for many years. It will be seen that about the average number of deaths occurred in our city during the year 1917. The Gazette which is published on the last day of the year is kept in many homes as a reference, mainly for the necrology which is printed on that day. Numbers of Alexandrians send copies to former residents, now located in other cities, who naturally read the annual death list with interest, as they recognize numbers they knew who have been called upon to pass over that river without bridge.

Ale, Samuel T. January 25.
Ahern, John P. February 7.
Agnew, Matilda E. March 5.
Adams, Francis J. July 23.
Anderson, Sarah F. August 21.
Arnold, Georgia August 27.
Alymer, James August 31.
Atkinson, Brema F. November 15.
Anderton, George M. December
Burke, Ida F. February 11.
Brent, Rebecca February 20.
Brown, Emma V. March 1.
Beach, Katie E. March 27.
Briscoe, Castino, April 21.
Bolling, Meta Stuart, April 29.
Burrell, Catharine A. May 8.
Bayliss, Ezra July 20.
Bradley, Wm. J., August 5.
Bittle, Charles H. August 15.
Beckham, John August 27.
Baggett, Leslie R. October 21.
Brawner, Roger November 23.
Boyer, Lucy D. November 30.
Cheshire, Mary E. January 7.
Cook, Robert T. February 2.
Cogan, Mollie February 22.
Connelly, Harry E. March 15.
Crown, Clarence E. April 5.
Conklin, Wm. H. April 23.
Carlin, John F. August 15.
Cook, Robert E. September 4.
Cox, Nellie M. September 6.
Crump, Marguerite September 27.
Carlin, Kate W. November 8.
Cline, Otelia November 20.
Carrico, Francis M. November 26.
Clampett, Evelyn December 5.
Campbell, R. Henry December 16.
DeBocande, Ada H. February 23.
Daingerfield, W. B. February 26.
Dawkins, Eva March 2.
Dove, Levi S. April 2.
Duggons, Addie L. May 14.
Davies Robert May 26.
Davis, St. Elmo June 3.
Davis, L. M. June 13.
Davis, Marion S. June 16.
Devers, Silas July 26.
Dixon, Arthur August 6.
Davis Alice E. November 4.
Dean, Mary A. November 10.
Della, Julian L. December 25.
Downey, Rose H. December 27.
Dove, Elizabeth December 30.
Ervin, Sarah C. December 30.
Eaton, John H. January 3.
Elliott, Sarah C. January 7.
Edelen, John R. October 20.
Entwisle, G. Edwin October 28.
Fogg, Emeline February 8.
Fones, Martha March 7.
Folmar, Anna A. April 16.
Fair, Dorsey E. June 15.
Field, Henry K. July 31.
Fuller, Jennie L. September 11.
Fairfax, Susannah December 31.
Green, James E. January 1.
Gahan, Alice January 22.
Gibson, Margaret M. January 23.
Greenough, Eliza January 29.
Gentry, John E. April 22.
Gensmer, Sallie June 3.
Gaines, Mrs. J. Frank August 26.
Griffin, Esther J. December 6.
Gordon, Margaret A. December 11.
Hammond, James W. January 18.
Heishley, Catharine E. January 30.
Hampton, Rose March 4.
Harris, Mrs. Charles April 3.
Harvey, Samuel H. May 7.
Hunt, Edmond June 3.
Hall, Ernest June 4.
Hall, Nancy A. June 18.
Hall, Leonard M. July 15.
Howells, Phoebe A. Yeager, September 21.
Holbrook, Michael A. November 27.
Hanratty, Michael December 6.
Harlow, John December 20.
Jeffries, John T. March 25.
Jones, Alma C. June 13.
Jacobs, Thomas F. August 26.
Johansen, George P. October 21.
Jackson, Robert A. December 2.
Kimball, Henrietta C. January 7.
Kelly, S. Vivian February 10.
Keane, James O. February 26.

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OLD AND NEW YEAR.

The year 1917 is in extremis, and shortly before midnight its death knell will be tolled out in the City Hall steeple. As the public timepiece begins to strike the midnight hour there will be more or less ringing of bells, sounding of steam whistles, tin horns, etc. Generally the discharge of guns and pistols and the exposion of firecrackers form incidents to the advent of the new year, but as Mayor Fisher has forbidden this ancient display on what the Scotch call "the first night," this feature will not be as much in evidence as upon former occasions.

The latter part of the year 1917 will long be remembered as the coldest, probably ever experienced in Alexandria. The mercury in thermometers twenty miles west of this city was 18 degrees below zero at an early hour yesterday morning. It was several below in Alexandria. In Washington the cold was so intense that several persons fell in the streets and would surely have frozen to death had they not been picked up immediately and rushed to hospitals.

While it has been necessary to conserve fuel in this city, enough coal to meet immediate demands has generally been available, and, so far as we know, there has been no real suffering. Of course, in many instances it was impossible to get enough heat in some houses to render indoor conditions comfortable. In the larger cities hundreds—probably thousands—had nothing to burn being unable to procure a bushel of coal.

While the bleak wind is roaring at our doors and the wolf is peering through the crevasses in other habitations in the world, the terrible war cloud still hangs low and many believe that this terrible conflict is to be continued at least another year. The United States has felt but little of the pinch of war so far, but who can tell what we may be called upon to endure before the obsequies of the year 1918?

IS GERMANY SINCERE?

Dispatches from Europe have during the past forty-eight hours been of great significance. They state that the Kaiser has authorized Chancellor von Hertling to negotiate peace terms. While Washington officialdom pretends to treat this announcement with unconcern, many prefer to believe that the Kaiser is being pushed to the wall, and that the time has come when he must bring about peace negotiations or the German people will.

The aims of the Russian Bolshevik and the labor socialists of Great Britain, who favor a moderate peace formula, together with the demand of German socialists, are believed to have their influence, and the incessant cry for peace, which is becoming louder and louder in Germany and Austria, is believed to be responsible for this concession on the part of the Kaiser.

According to the dispatches referred to, a peace is not only a possibility but now almost a certainty, though it is impossible to calculate just when it will come.

The new year it is asserted will find Europe returning to sanity and slowly recovering her prospective. Every serious suggestion toward an honorable peace will receive serious consideration. Instead of branding every enemy utterance as a peace trap and waving aside every friendly gesture, their burden of responsibility will force statesmen to give close head and satisfy the people they are using every means to reach an honorable decision.

Imperialism, territorial aggrandizement and indemnities are gradually disappearing and in their places are rising such terms as national security, society of nations and reparation.

The working classes in Europe hate militarism in every form, and they hate it now as never before, and that is why they advocate so strongly the scheme for a league of nations. The growth of moderation is not due to any sudden change of spirit; it is the natural result of all the suffering, sacrifices and hardships that Europe has endured through forty-two months of war. The people feel that neither the militarists nor the politicians have made good to date.

Measured by the ordinary standards, modern warfare has proved a colossal failure.

Now the people know they must make further investments, they are asked to send more men into the firing line, they are called upon to economize in the consumption of the food, they are told they must expect higher taxation. So they ask for a promise from the government that no effort will be spared to obtain an honorable peace.

WHY WE ARE AT WAR.

Some thoughtless people in the country are still insisting that the United States could have avoided crossing words with Germany. Those, however, who have watched Teuton arrogance for many years were long ago convinced that a mighty struggle between the English-speaking nations and Germany was inevitable and that it was liable to be precipitated as soon as the Kaiser supposed the objects of his vengeance were unprepared. "Conquest and Kultur," one of the books published by the Committee of Public Information, gives extracts from speeches and publications of prominent Germans, which all Americans should read.

"The most dangerous foe of Germany in this generation will prove to be the United States," said Dr. Otto Hotsch in Alldeutsche Blatter, Aug. 23, 1902. Hotsch is really speaking here of commercial war, but to him political war was a natural sequence of commercial. Hotsch is professor of history at the royal academy in Posen and at the war academy in Berlin.

Freiherr Edelsheim, in his "Operations Upon the Sea," written at the beginning of the present century says:

"Operations against the United States of North America must be entirely different. With that country in particular, political friction, manifest in commercial aims, has not been lacking in recent years, and has until now been removed chiefly through acquiescence on our part. However as this submission has its limit, the question arises as to what means we can develop to carry out our purpose with force in order to combat the encroachments of the United States upon our interests. Our main factor is our fleet. * * * It is evident, then, that a naval war against the United States can not be carried on with success without at the same time inaugurating action on land. * * * It is almost a certainty, however, that a victorious assault on the Atlantic coast, tying up the importing and exporting business of the whole country, would bring about such an annoying situation that the Government would be willing to treat for peace.

"If the German invading force were equipped and ready for transporting the moment the battle fleet is despatched, under average conditions, these corps can begin operations on American soil within at least four weeks. * * * The United States at this time (1901) is not in a position to oppose our troops with an army of equal rank. * * *

"The fact that one or two of her provinces are occupied by the invaders would not alone move the Americans tosue for peace. To accomplish this end the invaders would have to inflict real material damage by injuring the whole country through the successful seizure of many of the Atlantic seaports in which the threads of the entire wealth of the Nation meet. It should be so managed that a line of land operations would be in close juncture with the fleet, through which we would be in a position to seize in a short time many of these important and rich cities, to interrupt their means of supply, disorganize all governmental affairs, assume control of all useful buildings, confiscate all war and transport supplies, and lastly, to impose heavy indemnities. * * *

"As a matter of fact, Germany is the only great power which is in a position to conquer the United States."

THE COST OF WAR.

The annual review published by the banking house of Henry Clews and Company, New York, gives some grewsome figures on the present war. It directs attention to the fact that over 50,000,000 men are under arms in Europe, whose energies have been turned from production to destruction. Over 12,000,000 men have been killed or permanently injured since the war began, the killed alone numbering over 7,000,000. Over $100,000,000,000 have already been expended by the nations at war, and at present rate of rising expenditure the cost will exceed $150,000,000,000 when the end of the fourth year is reached next August.

When it is remembered that for every man at the front from three to five are required at the rear for his support, it follows that between 150,000,000 and 200,000,000 men have been withdrawn from the normal channels of production into the abnormal. No wonder that the world is facing a serious economic famine, not only in food and clothing, but also in the innumerable material required for human comfort and support. The loss in life and money only partly measures the colossal bill for damages, which will be a crushing burden for generations. Such a bill must also include the setback to moral and spiritual forces, the inheritance of bitterness, the detrimental effects upon art, literature, science, education and all the varied social and political activities which are part of our civilization. These are losses that will leave their impress upon the nations for many future decades. The material losses such as destruction of factories, railroads, ships, cities, etc., though less important than those just mentioned, are visible and more readily offset by new energies and resources that will promptly develop with the advent of peace.

THE DEPARTED.

As is the usual custom of the Gazette I expect tonight to read the names of those who, during the year past, have paid their last debt. There are solemn thoughts that arise as we stand on the threshold of a new period in the calendar. We, too, have advanced one step nearer the grave, whose inexorable portals stand ever open to receive the "innumerable caravan" swiftly and surely passing on to the dark gateway. The bells of the old year will ring the knell, perhaps, of many of our friends. If the past has its losses, it also has its lessons. We can guide our ship the better if memory's log book truly records the courses we have sailed, and memory's chart preserves the shoals which menace danger, and the beacons which guided us aright. Tenderly, therefore, let us lay the Old Year in his grave.

Memory.

Fond memory now recalls the forms
Of those we loved, though passed away,
Far from the troubles and the storms
That here beset the pilgrim way.
None tread a thornless path below,
Though roses greet us through the shower;
And in the genial, sunlight glow,
Oft sorrow lurks beneath the flower.
Though specious phases life may wear
And many a pleasing mask put on;
How soon will fade the bright and fair,
How soon life's golden horn be gone.
The dear companions of our way,
Who fought the fight, whose race is o'er,
Have borne the burden of the day,
And safely reached that far-off shore.
Yet memory will recall the forms
Of those we loved, now passed away;
Far from the troubles and the storms
That here beset life's transient day.

Geo. H. Hayden.

WHO WILL DICTATE PEACE.

(Birmingham Press).

The Kaiser's proposal to have the war ended by a meeting of the sovereigns of Europe shows the pathetic inability of the Prussian ruler to grasp the principle for which his foes are fighting. The sovereigns of Europe! It makes an American smile.

Napoleon, the parvenu, anxious to attain recognition in the select circles of European royalty, enjoyed dealing directly with the monarchs of his day. They had no more intelligence, though they had more power, than modern kings.

But the Kaiser, unless he is the victim of his own deficient sense of humor, knows that royalty outside of Germany represents little more than the gilded wooden figurehead on the bow of the ship of state. And he ought to know—though he maybe doesn't—that men in England and Italy are not dying, as his stupidly devoted Germans are, to enhance the glory of their royal rulers.

We think, however, that the sovereigns of the world will, in one way or another, fix the terms of peace. But when the Kaiser quits the scene of his theatrical make-believe peace council on the Russian front, and faces the real peace terms, he will find that they have been dictated by the sovereign people.

Annual Meeting.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Columbia Granite & Dredging Corporation will be held at Rooms 1 & 2, Alexandria National Bank Building, Alexandria, Virginia, on Thursday, January 17, 1918, at 12 o'clock noon, for the election of Directors and the transaction of such other business as may properly come before said meeting.

A. G. Bonnet, Secretary.
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PADUA BOMBED FROM AIR.

Heavy Damage Done to Historic Edifices in New Air Raid.

Rome, Dec. 31.—The war office communication issued yesterday says:

"Along the whole front there have been only artillery actions. They were particularly intense on the Monte Tomba sector.

"At Pieve di Zoligo British airmen brought down one of the enemy captive balloons. Saturday evening enemy aircraft repeated their raid on Padua, dropping over twenty explosive and incendiary bombs. Three persons were killed, including one child, and three were wounded, including one woman. Much damage was done to monuments, private dwellings and others buildings and two hospitals. Fire broke out in the St. Valentino Church, which was hit. The fine Carmine Church was partially burned."

Berlin, via London, Dec. 31.—The German statement yesterday, referring to the Italian front, says:

"Italian theater—On the front of Tomba ridge and in the Piave sector on both sides of Pederobba violent artillery and mine-throwing engagements developed in the afternoon.

KILL CATTLE THIEVES.

U. S. Troops Use Machine Gun on Ambushed Border Bandits.

Eagle Pass, Tex., Dec 31.—At least six Mexican bandits were killed in a fight between bandits and United States troops and Texas rangers on Saturday at San Jose, Mexico, opposite the Indio ranch, which is 20 miles south of Eagle Pass, according to an official statement here today at military headquarters. The Americans had crossed into Mexico on the trail of Mexican cattle thieves. There was no American casualties.

After the bandits, said to have numbered 50, were routed, the Americans returned to the Texas side. The pursuit of a "hot trail" across the border followed a series of raids on the Indio ranch, in which it is estimated that 1,000 or more head of cattle had been driven across the Rio Grande.

ZIONISTS ASK $1,000,000 FUND.

Begin Campaign Today in 400 Cities In United States.

New York, Dec. 31.—Preparations were completed last night for launching today the nation wide Zionist campaign to raise $1,000,000 as a preliminary fund for the re-establishment of a Jewish state in Palestine and the restoration of the Holy Land. Local organizations have been formed in 400 cities throughout the country. The first fund, it was announced, is to be expended in ascertaining needs for reconstruction, costs of permanent reestablishment and other survey work. Zionist organizations later will undertake to raise a huge fund in all parts of the world.

The forces under Gen. Allenby in Palestine have advanced another 3 miles along the Nablus road, according to the official statement issued in London last night, and after stubborn resistance have occupied Bireh, the ancient name of which is Beeroth. East of the road Hizmahgereh was taken; west of the road the ridge of Rawllah and Khettirieh was occupied. In the center of the line mounted troops advanced to Khurbetha, Ibuherith and Deiralkuddis.

Classified Advertising

FOR SALE—A 1915 Chevrolet automobile, in first class condition. Good bargain to quick purchaser. Inquire of Mt. Vernon Auto Co., Alexandria, Va. 307-tf.

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LOST—An emerald Rosary with name of Edith on the cross. Finder please return to 1005 1-2 Gibbon street and receive reward. 309-3t.

LOST—Pocketbook containing about $15.00 on electric car arriving in this city last Friday afternoon at 5 o'clock. Reward for return to Mrs. J. B. Sullivan, Braddock. 309-3t.

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At the direction of the Fuel Administrator for Virginia, an order has been issued to the retail dealers of coal in this city and county, not to deliver coal to household consumers, in quantities in excess of two tons and then only when the consumer's supply on hand is two tons or less. This will make the maximum quantity of four tons at any one time. To larger consumers, deliveries are not to be made in quantities greater than the actual needs of the consumers for fifteen days, and then only when the consumer's supply on hand is less than their requirements for fifteen days. This will make the maximum quantity held by larger consumers at any one time, only sufficient for their actual needs for thirty days or less. Industries buying coal in carload lots must obtain special permit from the Fuel Administrator.

To make this order effective, and to relieve the dealer of the responsibility and difficulty of ascertaining the supply any consumer has on hand, it is arranged that an affidavit be furnished by the purchasers of coal in excess of one-half ton (this affidavit can be made by any member of the family over sixteen years of age.) These forms for making the affidavits will be in the hands of the dealers, and notaries and the affidavits will be taken without charge, by any one of the following notaries public, who have offered their services to aid the Commission in this work:

Miss Gladys M. Brooks, room 1, Alexandria National bank building; W. C. Drury, 107 south Royal street; J. T. Burke, Burke and Herbert; Miss Cora Duffey, Office, Clerk of Court; Courtland H. Davis, 121 south Royal street; Claude H. Crump, 1201 King street; M. L. Dinwiddie, Citizens National Bank; J. J. Green, First National Bank; E. J. Fleming, 119 south Fairfax street; A. C. Moss, Alexandria National Bank.

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NEWS OF THE OLD DOMINION

KILLED BY STREET CAR.

Electric Railway Man Struck And Dragged in Roanoke.

Roanoke, Va., Dec. 31.—Thomas Jackson Carter, superintendent of the construction department of the Roanoke Railway and Electric Company, was struck and instantly killed by a street car Christmas night at the Glade creek bridge near Vinton. After being struck, the body was dragged by the car for about fifteen feet and was horribly mangled.

Mr. Carter was returning home from a Christmas service at the Jefferson-Street Baptist church when the accident occurred. It is thought that he was running to catch the car, approaching from the left hand side and that in attempting to cross the tracks in front of it he was blinded by the falling snow and misjudged the distance between himself and the car.

The car hit his body about the knees and caused him to fall between the rails. The body was dragged to the middle of Glade creek bridge, a distance of about fifteen feet, before the car could be brought to a stop. On account of the blinding snow the motorman did not see Mr. Carter until his car was upon him. Traffic on the line was suspended temporarily and the body was removed to Oakey's morgue.

MAINTAINS HE IS INNOCENT.

Dr. Johnson Writes Note to Mother of His Dead Wife, Denying His Guilt.

Richmond, Dec. 31.—Facing the charge of murdering his nineteen-year-old bride by administering a dose of cyanide of potassium, Dr Lemuel J. Johnson, the young dentist, confined in the city jail, continues to maintain that he is innocent. In a letter made public Saturday by the mother of the dead bride, to whom he wrote on Christmas Day the North Carolina dentist said: "If poor Alice could speak she would say 'Lemuel is innocent.'"

Detectives Wily and Smith, who have brought to light the circumstances on which the young man is held, have been confident for the past few days that he would weaken and make a clean-cut statement of the details surrounding the death of his wife, but a conference with H. W. Smith, Jr., who may be retained as one of his counsel, is thought to have sealed the lips of the prisoner so far as any statement whatever is concerned.

DETECTIVE ARRESTED.

Flashes Badge in Baltimore While Under the Influence of Liquor.

Baltimore, Dec. 31.—"Go back to Norfolk and stay there," were the departing words of Capt. Albert League, Central district, to James Hill, a Virginia detective, after he was dismissed on the charge of being drunk.

Hill came to town Saturday and imbibed to the extent that he believed he could improve on Baltimore's police system. He was performing under the window of Mayor Preston's office when Patrolman Boone happened by and arrested the detective, as Hill proved himself to be when he flashed a shining nickel-plated badge.

COLD HITS RICHMOND'S POOR

Coal Shortage With Zero Temperature Hampers Relief Efforts.

Richmond, Dec. 31.—The coldest weather since 1899 found Richmond yesterday with barely enough steam coal to meet immediate wants. The supply of anthracite is exhausted with little chance for renewal this week.

The temperature reached 2 below zero yesterday morning. It hovered near zero last night. All trains were late.

Relief organizations have had many calls for fuel, but could give only a limited supply. The poor classes have suffered intensely.

OLD MANSION BURNED.

Old Landmark Near Fairfax Destroyed Last Week.

Fire last week destroyed the old Fitzhugh mansion, about 2 1-2 miles from Fairfax, near Burke, causing a loss of about $3,500. The property was owned by R. R. Farr, of Fairfax, and was occupied by Robert Dove. The cause of the fire is unknown. Mr. Dove had left the house on his way to Burke to meet his wife returning from Washington when he was stopped by a message that his home was in flames. Neighbors responded promptly, but the house was burned to the ground, and Mr. Dove lost the contents of his home.

TAXING BANK STOCK.

Action to be Taken Concerning the Matter at the Coming Session of the Virginia General Assembly.

Richmond, Dec. 31.—Uniformity in the law-taxing shares in bank stock at the same rate as other intangible property is a contention that the bankers of the state will make at the coming session of the General Assembly. Oliver J. Sands, President of the American National Bank, and chairman of the Taxation Committee of the Virginia Bankers' Association, said today that the owners of bank stock simply wanted to be placed in the same class with the owners of other intangible properties.

Discussing the inequality of the tax rate, Mr. Sands called attention to the fact that bank stock was taxed at $1.50 on the $100, while other intangible property is taxed at 95 cents. Recently the Governor and Auditor of Public Accounts have suggested a decrease from the 95 cents to 80 cents on the $100. Mr. Sands thinks that holders of bank stock should be treated with the same consideration.

"I understand," said Mr. Sands, "that the Auditor of public accounts and the executive assistant to the tax board are unequivocally in favor of a law placing the shares of bank stock on the same footing with other intangible property."

Other bankers in Richmond are in accord with the views expressed by Mr. Sands and the matter will be forcefully placed before the Legislature next month.

DENOUNCES GERMANY.

Col. Charles Bigelow Dies on Lecture Platform.

Houston, Tex., Dec. 31.—With a denunciation of Germany and a plea for preparedness on his lips, Col. Chas Bigelow, of New Haven, Conn. known over the world as a traveler and lecturer, dropped dead before an audience of 2,000 persons at the city auditorium here yesterday afternoon.

Col. Bigelow, 68, returned from the battlefields a short time ago and his lecture here was to arouse the American people to the realization of the war. His last words were:

"Lord Roberts 7 years ago urged England to prepare for war. They laughed at him and threatened to take his pension away for his utterances. England thought she was safe."

WILL RECEIVE MORE PAY.

Million and a Half Men Will be Benefitted by McAdoo.

Director General McAdoo will pay his 1,500,000 railroad employes more money.

This has been definitely agreed upon between President Wilson and leaders of the four great brotherhoods, and will cover increases for all employes whether members of the brotherhoods or not. The Government will not meet the full 40 per cent increase demanded by the men but an agreement is assured.

At a conference today between McAdoo and the United State Board of Mediation and Conciliation a basis of increase was expected to be finally determined.

VISITS MT. VERNON.

Brazilian Mission at Tomb of Washington Yesterday.

The Brazilian mission to the United States is back in Washington today following a visit to Mt. Vernon yesterday to honor the memory of George Washington.

Headed by Col. Alipo Gama, the mission, including seven other Brazilian officers, and accompanied by Major Walter F. Martin, U. S. A., motored to the tomb of the first President and placed a wreath.

Declaring that Washington had pointed the way to liberty for all of South America, Colonel Gama paid eloquent tribute to the Revolutionary hero.

PAY DEBT OF NATURE.

(Continued from page 1)

Ketland, Laura V. April 24.
Klock, Edward April 29.
Kaiser, Minnie October 13.
Kramer, Johanna November 13.
Kidwell, Tillie December 6.
Lane, Aaron C. January 10.
Leadbeater, John January 29.
Larmour, W. M. March 13.
Lucas, Catharine April 15.
Lyles, Sarah E. July 7.
Lyles, Lambert D. July 11.
Leadbeater, Laurence September 15.
Ludwig, F. Ervin September 20.
Larmond, Frank October 21.
Leterman, Henrietta S. October 25.
Mahone, Susie A. January 10.
Metzger, Albert H. January 31.
Mixer, William B. March 29.
McLain, Bessie June 27.
Mankin, Edward W. September 24.
Moran, Frank C. October 3.
Millan, James October 27.
McCracken, Mary E. November 26.
Marshall, Jaqulin A. November 27.
Nichols, Susie E. August 28.
Nugent, Annie V. December 17.
O'Neal, Dennis March 5.
Ogden, William D. March 31.
Peyton, Milland F. January 17.
Padgett, Sarah L. January 20.
Peyton, Hattie January 23.
Pettit, Elizabeth January 29.
Penn, Mary L. January 29.
Penn, Mary C. February 7.
Power, William February 9.
Price, Margaret February 13.
Pettit, Cornelia March 1.
Padgett, Georgia B. March 28.
Peyton Ada M. April 30.
Parrott, Helen S. June 6.
Prettyman, R. M. June 11.
Puetz, Carrie P. September 18.
Phillips, William H. September 21.
Power, Annie A. October 26.
Patterson, Lewis E. November 3.
Phillips, Charles R. November 13.
Pullin, Louise M. December 4.
Power, R. Edward December 6.
Quayle, Charles July 2.
Reese, Sarah January 15.
Roland, Ernest O. March 11.
Redd, Richard April 7.
Richards, Caleb H. June 6.
Rogers, William T. July 25.
Rittenour, Avery A. October 10.
Roby, Emma October 21.
Ryan, Timothy J. November 20.
Roberts, Rosa December 6.
Simpson, Charles A. January 21.
Scanlon, James February 25.
Scott, Thomas N. April 20.
Steele, Georgia May 7.
Smithers, William B. May 25.
Sullivan, Annie E. June 11.
Stearns, Milton B. June 14.
Smoot, William A. July 10.
Scrivener, Edward B. July 14.
Taylor, Katie February 13.
Thomas, Gordon May 1.
Trice, Alberta E. June 13.
Trimyer, Earl H. July 6.
Taylor, William P. July 16.
Travis, Sarah L. August 23.
Toy, George E. September 28.
Timberman, C. P. C. December 11.
Underwood, Sarah E. December 7.
Woomert, Charles E. March 1.
Welderburn, G. C. March 31.
Wright, Henrietta May 7.
Wilburn, Thompson May 26.
Weaver, John E. June 3.
Wilkins, Frank June 13.
Warfield, A. A. July 9.
Whatley, Mollie September 26.
Walsh, Daniel O'C. October 8.
Warfield, William R. November 9.
Williams, Ella November 21.
Woodward, Mary E. December 11.

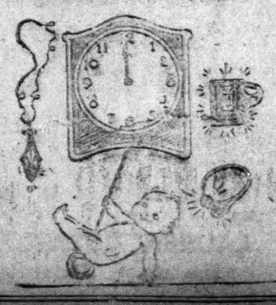
STRANDED IN BALTIMORE.

Detroit Workmen Lured by Offer of Jobs Find Nothing Doing.

Baltimore, Dec. 31.—The police are investigating the case of the 250 skilled workmen from Detroit who were stranded in this city Saturday after a long cold trip from Detroit to get jobs at the Aberdeen proving grounds, and who were informed upon their arrival that there was no work for them.

Through the efforts of Lieut. Klinefelter, of the Central District, and George R. McCreary, manager of the Friendly Inn, they were provided quarters Saturday night and today most of them roamed the streets.

According to William P. Clark, who had charge of a section of the train transporting the men, they were employed by Maj. Benjamin J. Sands at Detroit, and they were told they would be paid an attractive salary. The men are electricians, bricklayers and carpenters.



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IDEALS ARE SHATTERED

Evangelist Patterson Says the Hopes of Men Were Blasted by the World's Greatest War.

"Never before in the history of the world have men's ideals been so suddenly and completely shattered. Just at the moment when the churches and peace societies were giving the cry of "Peace and Safety," and nations were signing peace treaties not to learn war any more, the greatest war of the centuries burst unexpectedly upon the world. The bright hopes of the prophets, who predicted a millennial reign of peace on earth, to begin in 1914, were hopelessly blasted." So declared evangelist Charles Patterson, in an address on "The End of Turkey and the Downfall of Kaiserism" at the Elks' Hall last night.

Continuing, he said, "A spirit of inquiry as to the meeting of these things is taking possession of all classes of people, both among the learned and unlearned. Yet amid the distress and perplexity of men and of nations who are groping their way in the darkness, there is a beacon light set up to show all wanderers the safe way. In this dark night of sin and woe, of despair and misery, and of carnage and death, there is one bright star of hope which shines forth from the thick clouds of mystery and illuminates the future pathway of the pilgrim who is in search of a better land. This monitor of light which shines brighter and brighter as time goes on, is the sacred Volume from heaven:

"Above the din of battle and conflict such as the world has never witnessed before, the voice of God is heard and the Divine hand is seen, as nations rise and fall in the struggle for supremacy. Fourteen long chains of prophecy are recorded in the Bible. Every one of these chains of prophecy terminates with one of four events, namely, the final judgment day, the second coming of Christ in power and great glory, the resurrection of the dead, and the reestablishment of and restoration of the everlasting kingdom of God on earth after the destruction of all rival earthly kingdoms and governments. In the sixteenth chapter of Revelations the prophet describes the drying up of the 'great river Euphrates,' that the way of the kings of the East might be prepared.' Rev. 16. By the drying up of that power represented by the river Euphrates, the way is prepared for the next step, the gathering 'of the whole world' to the battle of that great day of God Almighty—the Armageddon of the nations. Verses 14-16.

"As the Nile stood for Egypt, and the Tiber for Rome, so in all modern times the Euphrates has stood for Turkey and the Moslem empire. Through the centuries since the Turkish invasion reached its crest, that power has been dwindling and shrinking, until now but little remains to it in Europe. Some day according to this prophecy of Revelations it will be entirely 'dried up' and then comes the great day of God. In the eleventh chapter of Daniel, the empire of Turkey is referred to, as the 'King of the north.' The prophecy says that this power shall come to his end and none shall help him. This plainly suggests that formerly Turkey had been helped by other powers when she was threatened with destruction. For more than a century Turkey has been helped, so the balance of power might be maintained in Europe. The great nations in Europe by means of shifting diplomacy have kept the Turkish empire from being dismembered in many threatening wars lest it should involve the whole world in a most calamitous disaster. What philosophers, diplomats and rulers have endeavored to avoid, the prophecy declared would surely come—'a time of trouble, such as never was since there was a nation.' And many of them that sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake.' Dan. 12:1-2.

"The important question for each of us to settle is not how we may enrich ourselves by Turkey's misfortune, for when Turkey goes down the whole world goes down in a universal crash. The very next verse following the account of the battle of Armageddon says: 'And there followed a great voice out of the temple of heaven, from the throne saying, It is done. And there were voices, and thunders, and lightenings; and there was a great earthquake, such as was not since men were upon the earth so mighty an earthquake, and so great and the city of the nations fell' Rev. 16:17-19.

"Instead of peace there will be destruction. God has warned the world of its impending doom. Well may the inhabitants of the land tremble, when God and man, earth and heaven, time and eternity, speak with one voice and teach the same truth. Well may the lonely pilgrim of earth, by these land-marks of time, count his journey almost ended; he may lift up his head to behold his redemption drawing nigh; he may see the clear rays of light and hope that illuminate the few remaining dark hours of life, and that guide his footsteps on the way to that city for which Abraham looked, 'which hath foundations, whose builder and whose maker is God.'

Mr. Patterson will speak next Sunday night on "The Kaiser's Attempt to Break Divine Prophecy."

NEWS OF THE DAY

The body of Charles S. Foller, aged 41, sales manager for a large manufacturing company of Pittsburgh, Pa., was recovered yesterday from the Monongahela River. A mill watchman followed footprints in the snow to the water edge, and saw a large hole in the ice. After several hours' work the body was taken from the river. Authorities believe Foller was endeavoring to cross the river on the ice, which broke.

Fire of undetermined origin yesterday destroyed an entire business block of Northfork, 23 miles west of Bluefield, West Virginia, entailing a loss of more than $200,000. Frozen water mains hindered the work of firemen, and it was 12 hours before the flames were brought under control.

Fear of the draft is believed to have prompted Charles E. Logan, a farmer near McLain, Okla., to kill his wife and baby as they slept Saturday night, set fire to the house and then cut his throat. Logan died kneeling beside a couch, and in his hands were found charred bits of the questionnaire which he should have filed Saturday.

Brig. Gen. Anson George McCook, president of the New York Law Publishing Company, and a veteran of the civil war, died yesterday at his home in New York from pleurisy. General McCook was born in Steubenville, Ohio, October 10 1835.

Desirous of serving his country in France, but turned down every time he sought to enlist, James B. Kenney 29, of Rochester, N. Y., became discouraged and yesterday he committed suicide by cutting his throat with a razor.

Two United States submarine have collided thirty feet under water and both have come safely home to port to tell what is so far the narrowest escape in the war. So far as naval records show, no accident of the sort has ever happened before

LEGAL NOTICES

At a Corporation Court of the City of Alexandria, continued and held at the Courthouse of said City on Wednesday, December 19th, 1917.

Present, Hon. Louis C. Barley Judge.

John L. Schneider, Complainant vs Eva May Fox Schneider, Defendant. In Chancery.

An affidavit having been duly made as required by law, that the defendant is a non-resident of the State of Virginia, and that she cannot be found within the jurisdiction of this State and the Sergeant having made a return upon the original process of summons issued herein that the Defendant is a non-resident of his bailiwick, and application having been duly made in writing to the Clerk of this Court for an order of publication against the said defendant to appear and answer a bill in chancery filed by the Complainant against the Defendant for a divorce a mensa et thoro on the ground of wilful and voluntary desertion and abandonment and that at the expiration of the statutory period said divorce be made absolute, and an order of publication having been duly granted by the Court, it is therefore ordered that said defendant do appear here within 15 days after due publication hereof to answer the suit of complainant against the defendant for a divorce a mensa et thoro on the ground of wilful and voluntary desertion and abondonment, and that at the expiration of the statutory period said divorce be made absolute. And it is further ordered that a copy of his order be published once a week for four successive weeks in the Alexandria Gazette, a newspaper published in Alexandria, Virginia, and that a copy of this order be sent by registered mail by the Clerk of this Court to the last known place of address, residence and abode of defendant, to-wit: No. 504 South Fourth treet, Columbus, Ohio, as stated in he application for this order of publication which shall be certified by he Clerk of this Court, and that a opy be posted at the front door of he Courthouse of this Court, on or efore the next rule day of this Court. William P. Woolls, P. Q. (

A Copy, Teste:

NEVELL S. GREENAWAY, Clerk. 305-4w.

At a Corporation Court of the City of Alexandria, continued and held at the Courthouse of said City on Wednesday, December 19, 1917.

Present, Hon. Louis C. Barley, Judge.

Lillian H. Armstrong, vs. James R. Armstrong, In Chancery.

An affidavit having been duly made, as required by law, that the Defendant is a non-resident of the State of Virginia, and that he cannot be found within the jurisdiction of this State, and the sergeant having made a return upon the original process or summons issued herein that the Defendant is a non-resident of his bailiwick, and application having been duly made in writing to this Court for an order of publication, against he said Defendant to appear and answer a bill in Chancery filed by the Complainant against the Defendant for an absolute divorce on the ground of wilful and voluntary desertion and abandonment for more than three years prior to the institution of this suit, and an order of publication having been duly granted by the Court, it is therefore ordered that said Defendant do appear here within 15 days after due publication hereof to answer the suit of Complainant against the Defendant for an absolute divorce on the grounds of wilful and voluntary desertion and abandonment for more than three years prior to the institution of this suit.

And it is further ordered that a copy of this order be published once a week for four successive weeks in the Alexandria Gazette, a newspaper published in Alexandria, Virginia, and that a copy of this order be sent by registered mail by the Clerk of this Court to the last known place of address, residence and abode of Defendant, to-wit: No. 60 M. Street, N. W., Washington, D C., as stated in the application for this order of publication which shall be certified by the Clerk of this Court, and that a copy be posted at the front door of the courthouse of this Court on or before the next rule day of this Court.

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SPECIAL NOTICES

Notice.

The Annual Meeting of the members of the Independent Mutual Fire Insurance Company of Fairfax county, Va., will be held at the Company's office, Royal and Prince Streets, in Alexandria, Va., Monday, January 14, 1918, at ten o'clock a. m.

Walter Roberts, President.
308td.

Citizens National Bank.

At a regular meeting of the Board of Directors held this day, the regular semi-annual dividend of 6 per cent was declared, payable on or after January 2nd, 1918, to stockholders of records, December 31st, 1917.

309-4t. Richard M. Green, Cashier.

The First National Bank.

Alexandria, Va., Dec. 26, 1917

At a regular meeting of the Board of Directors, held this day, the regular semi-annual dividend of six per cent, and an extra dividend of three per cent, were declared, payable on or after January 1st. 1918.

Geo. E. Warfield, Cashier.
308-4t.

Notice of Annual Meeting.

The annual meeting of the Directors and Stockholders of the Odd Fellows Joint Stock Company, will be held at Odd Fellows Hall, South Columbus street, Alexandria, Va., Jan 7, 1918, at 7:30 p. m.

C. C. Brooks, President
W. H. Skinner, Secretary
306-6t.

Notice of Annual Meeting.

The annual meeting of the directors of the Alexandria Iron Works will be held at the office, corner Royal and Wilkes street, Alexandria, Va., on Monday, December 31, at 9 a. m. By order of President.

A. S. Mankin, Secretary.
302-10t.

Notice Annual Meeting.

December 8, 1917.

The regular annual meeting of the stockholders of the First National Bank of Alexandria, Va., will be held at the Banking House on Tuesday, January 8, 1918, at 12 o'clock, noon, for the election of directors and transaction of such other business as may properly come before the meeting.

GEO. E. WARFIELD, Cashier.
298-30t.

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The Alexandria National Bank.

Alexandria, Va., Dec. 8, 1917.

The annual meeting of the shareholders of this bank, for the election of Directors and the transaction of such other business as may be brought before it, will be held at the Banking House of said Bank, on Tuesday, January 8, 1918, at 12 o'clock, noon.

The polls will be open from 12 M to 1 p. m.

J. L. PERRY, Cashier.
295-25t.

Notice Annual Meeting.

The Citizens National Bank,
Alexandria, Va.,
Dec. 8th, 1917.

The annual meeting of the shareholders of this bank, for the election of Directors and the transaction of such other business as may be brought before it, will be held at the Banking House, on Tuesday, January 8th, 1918, at 12 o'clock noon.

The polls will be open from 12 M. to 1 P. M.

Richard M. Green, Cashier.
294-25t.

Washington Southern R'y

Schedule in effect July 2, 1917.

For Washington and points north daily 8:08, 8:23, 8:33, 10.38, 10:45 a. m. 12:01, 1:28, 2:30, (through train for New York, via P. R. R.) 5:14 5:53, 8:23, 11:33 p. m.

Saturdays only, 4:45 p. m., and Sundays only 8:08 p. m

For Fredericksburg, Richmond and points south at 4:37, 7:52 (local) and 10:47, a. m 12:15, 3:22, 8:32, 5:1 (local) 7:02, 9:47 p. m. daily.

Accommodation for Quantico at 11:18 a. m. daily and 2:15 p. m. Saturdays. Night train leaves 11:30 p. m. daily for stations Lorton to Fredericksburg inclusive.

NOTE—Times of arrival and departure and connections not guaranteed.

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P. M.----12 20, 12 40, 1 00, 1 20, 1 40, 2 00, 2 20, 2 40, 3 00, 3 20, 3 40, 4 00, 4 20, 4 40, 5 00, 5 20, 5 40, 6 00, 6 40, 7 00, 7 20, 7 40, 8 00, 8 20, 9 00, 9 20, 10 00, 10 20, 11 10, 11 55

Sunday and Holidays, same as above except trains at 5 00, 5 40, 6 00, 6 20, 6 40, 7 11, 7 30, 7 50, and 8 10 A. M and 11 55 P. M.

Leave Alexandria For Mt. Vernon.

A. M.---Week Days---5 25, 6 55, 7 55, 9 55, 10 30, 11 30—P. M.—12 30, 1 25, 2 20, 3 30, 4 30, 5 35, 6 40, 7 35, 8 25, 10 30, 11 30.

Sunday as above except 8 30 and 9 25 A. M and 11 55 P. M.

SOUTHERN RAILROAD SYSTEM

N. B.—Following schedule figures published only as information. Not guaranteed.

Trains leave Union Station, Alexandria:

4:42 a. m., Daily—Memphis Special. Sleeping cars and coaches for Lynchburg, Roanoke, Knoxville, Chattanooga, Nashville, Memphis, Washington sleeping cars open after 10:00 p. m. Dining car.

7.37 a. m., Local to Danville.

7:47 a. m., Daily—Local to Harrisonburg. Buffet parlor car.

9:02 a. m., Daily—U. S. fast mail. Coaches and sleeping cars to Charlotte, Atlanta, Birmingham, New Orleans. Sleeping car Salisbury to Asheville. Dining car.

9.37 a. m., Daily-Manassas Orange and Charlottesville and limited beyond to Atlanta. Coaches only.

4:02 p. m., Daily except Sunday—Local to Harrisonburg. Buffet parlor car.

4:22 p. m., Daily—Local to Charlottesville. Parlor car to Warrenton, daily except Sunday.

4:32 p. m., Daily—Birmingham Special Coaches and sleeping cars to Atlanta and Birmingham. Dining car. Daily tourist car to California.

5:22 p. m., Daily except Sunday—Local for Warrenton.

7:17 p. m., Daily—Augusta Special. Coaches and sleeping cars to Charlotte, Columbia, Aiken and Augusta. Sleeping cars to Asheville. Dining car.

10:02 p. m., Daily—Washington & Chattanooga Limited. (Via Lynchburg). Coaches and sleeping cars to Roanoke, Knoxville, Chattanooga, New Orleans. Dining car.

10:17 p. m., Daily, first section—Washington and Atlanta limited.

All Pullman train, Club and Observation cars to Atlanta

11:02 p. m., Daily, second section—Washington and New Orleans Limited. All Pullman train, Club and Observation cars to New Orleans.

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